



Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure Newsletter

Hurstbourne Office Park, 310 Whittington Parkway, Suite 1B, Louisville, Kentucky 40222
Phone: (502) 429-7150 Fax: (502) 429-7158 Website: www.kbml.ky.gov

Spring 2012

Preston P. Nunnelley, M.D., President

Board Members

President

Preston P. Nunnelley, M.D.
Lexington

Vice President

Randel C. Gibson, D.O.
Mayfield

Secretary

C. William Briscoe, M.D.
Corbin

Mickey D. Anderson, M.D.
Bardstown

Susan M. Berberich, M.D.
Louisville

Tamella B. Cassis, M.D.
Louisville

Asim R. Piracha, M.D.
Louisville

Russell L. Travis, M.D.
Lexington

Consumer Representatives

John C. Brewer
Stanton

Justice (Ret.) J. William Graves
Paducah

Thangam Rangaswamy, Ph.D.
Louisville

Ex-Officio Members

James S. Davis, M.D.
Commissioner
Department for Public Health

Boyd R. Buser, D.O., Dean, Pikeville
College School of Osteopathic Medicine

Frederick C. deBeer, M.D., Dean,
University of Kentucky College of
Medicine

Toni M. Ganzel, M.D., Interim Dean
University of Louisville School of Medicine
Michael S. Rodman, Executive Director

Kentucky General Assembly Passes HB 1

The 2012 legislative session of the Kentucky General Assembly and subsequent special session have now concluded with the passage of HB 1, filed by House Speaker Greg Stumbo. This legislation, which received a great deal of debate and attention, focused on the issues of regulation of "pill mills" and prescription drug abuse in Kentucky.

With the passage of HB 1, legislators were successful in determining a definition for a "pain management facility" and requires that only a physician having a full and active medical/osteopathic license shall have an ownership or interest in such a facility. The physician/owner must be present at least 50% of the time and hold a specific specialty certification as defined in the legislation.

HB 1 also mandates that the Board promulgate regulations on a host of issues relating to the prescribing of controlled substances. One of the regulations that physicians may be most interested in will be the one that sets out the mandatory prescribing and dispensing standards for controlled substances in Kentucky. Our staff is currently working on drafting these regulations and will provide notice on the promulgation so that physicians may provide comments.

The Board would like to thank the Kentucky General Assembly and the Governor and his staff for all the hard work on this very important piece of legislation. In the coming weeks, the Board will be placing additional information about the implementation of HB 1 on our website. If you would like to review the entire piece of legislation, we have provided a link to it on our website as well.

Mandatory KASPER Accounts for Physicians Holding DEA Registrations

HB 1, which goes into effect on July 20, 2012, REQUIRES that all physicians authorized to prescribe or dispense controlled substances register for a KASPER account. The legislation also requires physicians to maintain the KASPER registration continuously during the physician's term of licensure. For the past few years, the Board has issued regular reminders to physicians to register for KASPER accounts; however, all physicians with a DEA registration in Kentucky must meet this mandate by July 20, 2012. Please note there is no fee for registering for a KASPER account. In the coming weeks, physicians will receive an email notification from the Board regarding a new, automated and simplified method to register for KASPER which will be available in time for you to become compliant with the new requirements. In the meantime, if you wish to register using the current process please follow the instruction on the following website:

<http://chfs.ky.gov/os/oig/KASPER.htm>. KASPER is administered by the Drug Enforcement and Professional Practices Branch of the Office of Inspector General, Cabinet for Health & Family Services.

Board Orders can be viewed under the Physician Profile/
Verification of License link on the Board's website at
www.kbml.ky.gov.

Board Actions Report (Actions taken since 01/01/12)

Mark S. Adams, M.D., London, KY, License # 22682

Order Terminating Amended Agreed Order issued
02/22/12.

Richard W. Albert, M.D., Paintsville, KY, License # 21146

Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 01/19/12.

Charles F. Allran, M.D., Paris, KY, License # 33182

Order Terminating Amended Agreed Order issued
02/07/12.

Stephen C. Arny, M.D., Shelbyville, KY, License # 36172

Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 01/19/12.

Rano S. Bofill, M.D., Paintsville, KY, License # 16535

Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 01/19/12.

Paranita S. Bratton, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 24493

Agreed Order of Suspension entered into 01/31/12.

Ronald M. Brooks, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 44924

Agreed Order entered into 01/26/12.

Michael B. Chesnut, M.D., Georgetown, KY, License # 29325

Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 02/03/12.

L. Jean Cooper, M.D., Maysville, KY, License # 40821

Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 02/16/12.

Steven M. Diamond, D.O., Bethlehem, PA

Order Denying License issued 01/13/12.

Mark P. Downey, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 42541

Second Amended Agreed Order entered into 03/28/12.

Michael J. Eldemire, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 41336

Agreed Order entered into 02/09/12.

Michael J. Eldemire, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 41336

Amended Agreed Order entered into 03/06/12.

Adam W. Ellis, M.D., Russellville, KY, License # 40994

Agreed Order entered into 01/19/12.

Charles S. Finch, M.D., Winchester, KY, License # 30922

Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 01/19/12.

Philip Fisher, D.O., Barboursville, WV, License # 02326

Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 03/12/12.

Philip M. Goldman, M.D., Florence, KY, License # 32101

Amended Agreed Order entered into 02/02/12.

Ronald J. Hamm, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 19296

Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 02/16/12.

Lawrence J. Jedlicka, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 43103

Second Amended Agreed Order entered into
02/17/12.

Michael C. Hess, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 19773

Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into
01/27/12.

Howard C. Larky, D.O., Bexley, OH, License # 03144

Agreed Order of Suspension and Probation
entered into 03/21/12.

Sean P. McDonald, M.D., Paducah, KY, License # 36051

Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into
01/03/12.

Perry G. McLimore, M.D., Owensboro, KY, License # 28414

Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 01/19/12.

Richard A. Ostreich, M.D., Winchester, KY, License # 43846

Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into
03/06/12.

Nicholas A. Raschella, M.D., Pikeville, KY, License # 28950

Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 03/29/12.

Richard J. Ryan, M.D., Cincinnati, OH, License # 28316

Amended Agreed Order entered into 02/09/12.

Steven J. Scheiner, M.D., Florence, KY, License # 39005

Agreed Order entered into 03/15/12.

Donald J. Weidler, M.D., Columbia, KY, License # 38570

Order Terminating Amended Agreed Order issued
01/27/12.

Robert C. Wilson, M.D., Paris, KY, License # 38099

Order Terminating Agreed Order issued 01/27/12.

**Restrictions have also been placed on the following
physicians' licenses pending resolution of charges
brought against these physicians:**

Ashok V. Alur, M.D., Crestwood, KY, License # 30373

Second Amended Complaint and Emergency Order
of Suspension issued 01/23/12, Emergency Order of
Suspension effective 01/24/12.

Najam Azmat, M.D., Lexington, KY, License # 32661

Complaint and Emergency Order of Suspension
issued 02/16/12, effective 02/16/12.

Kimberly D. Martin, D.O., Flatwoods, KY, License # 03063

Complaint and Emergency Order of Suspension
issued 03/15/12, effective 03/17/12.

John A. Sharp, M.D., Lexington, KY, License # 26709

Complaint and Amended Emergency Order of
Suspension issued 02/27/12, effective 02/28/12.

Reminder Regarding Need to Notify Board of Change in Address

The Board would like to remind all physicians that according to KRS 311.586: Every physician who is practicing medicine or osteopathy in this state shall report to the Board the address or addresses at which he maintains an office, and every new licensee shall make the same report within 90 days after commencing the practice of medicine or osteopathy in this state. Every physician who, after notifying the Board of his official address or addresses, moves his office to a new address shall immediately notify the Board of the change.

The Board would like to stress the importance of this requirement for all physicians, including locum tenens physicians. Any licensed physician may update their address by simply going to the Board's website at www.kbml.ky.gov or complete the form on the back page of this Newsletter and forward to the Board.

Medical Board Welcomes Three New Investigators

Over the past year, the Board has had the unique experience of having 3 of its 5 medical investigators leave due to retirement. As a result, the Board is happy to announce that it has filled all medical investigator positions and is excited about the experience and work ethic that each individual brings to the agency.

KBML Investigators

- Billy Madden Southeastern Kentucky
- Jon Marshall Northeastern Kentucky
- Steve Manley Western Kentucky
- Betty Prater Metro Louisville
- Doug Wilson South Central Kentucky

If you need to contact any of the Board's medical investigators, please call our office at (502) 429-7150 and our staff will be glad to assist you.

2012 Annual Renewal of Physician Licenses

Annual renewal of physician licenses for the current year has just been completed. The Board is pleased to announce that 93% of physicians utilized the on-line renewal service this year. As of April 3, 2012, a total of 14,988 physicians have renewed their medical/osteopathic license. This reflects an increase of 300 over last year's total for the same period. Of the total, 9,811 physicians reported a practice address in Kentucky.

Medical Status	In State	% of Total	Out of State	% of Total
Private Practice	5,205	50.35%	1,654	35.56%
Hospital Based	2,298	22.23%	1,145	24.62%
Faculty	712	6.89%	185	3.98%
Resident or Fellow	287	2.78%	39	0.84%
Emergency Medicine	465	4.50%	158	3.40%
Public Health/Government	287	2.78%	151	3.25%
Administration	95	0.92%	102	2.19%
Occupational Medicine	75	0.73%	51	1.10%
Military	29	0.28%	58	1.25%
Research	12	0.12%	8	0.17%
Locum Tenens	115	1.11%	296	6.36%
Semi-Retired	157	1.52%	41	0.88%
Telemedicine	25	0.24%	564	12.13%
Retired	526	5.09%	152	3.27%
Other	49	0.47%	47	1.01%
Total:	10,337	100.00%	4,651	100.00%

Physicians' Sex

Male Physicians	7,622	73.74%	3,612	77.66%
Female Physicians	2,715	26.26%	1,039	22.34%
Total:	10,337	100.00%	4,651	100.00%

Physicians' Degree

Physicians with M.D.	9,793	94.74%	4,399	94.58%
Physicians with D.O.	544	5.26%	252	5.42%
Total:	10,337	100.00%	4,651	100.00%

Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure
310 Whittington Pkwy., #1B
Louisville, KY 40222

Change of Address Notice

Please Note: The information that you provide on this Change of Address Notice will be used to update your profile on the Board's web site at www.kbml.ky.gov.

You may also change your address online from the Board's website www.kbml.ky.gov/Address/

(Please Print or Type Information)

Date: _____ KY License Number: _____

Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Mailing Address: _____
(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

Practice Address: _____
(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

Practice County: _____

Office Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____
(Email address is not published)